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SUBJECT: WARSAW PACT FOREIGN MINISTERS MEETING

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- 1. EMBASSY ASSUMES TEXT OF WARSAW PACT FOREIGN MINISTERS COMMUNIQUE AVAILABLE. A DRAFT OF THE COMMUNIQUE HAD IN FACT BEEN PREPARED IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING BY THE BULGARIAN MFA IN CONSULTATION WITH OTHER WARSAW PACT EMBASSIES. NONETHELESS, WE UNDERSTAND THERE WERE SOME DISCUSSIONS AND DECISIONS ON IT DURING THE TWO-DAY MEETING.
- 2. IN PARTIAL CONFIRMATION OF REFTEL, ROMANIAN AMBASSADOR IN SOFIA STATED THAT ROMANIAN OPPOSITION WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR OMISSION OF A SOVIET PROPOSED ATTACK ON MAOISM. HE ALSO CONFIDENTIAL

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INDICATED LESS SPECIFICALLY THAT THERE WERE COMPROMISE FORMULATIONS ON SOME DIARMAMENT POINTS.

3. IN OTHER SEPARATE CONVERSATIONS WITH THE AMBASSADOR, FOREIGN MINISTER MLADENOV, SOVIET AMBASSADOR BAZOVSKII, AND THE HUNGARIAN AND EAST GERMAN AMBASSADORS DID NOT THROW ADDITIONAL LIGHT ON THE MEETINGS OR COMMUNIQUE.

MLADENOV AND BAZOVSKII DID INDICATE THAT GROMYKO HAD EXPRESSED SATISIFACTION WITH HIS MEETING WITH THE SECRETARY, IN PARTICULAR BECAUSE HE FELT IT MARKED A RENEWED MOVEMENT TOWARD A SALT AGREEMTNT. THEY DID NOT, HOWEVER, REALLY GO BEYOND WHAT GROMYKO HIMSELF PUBLICLY STATED IN HIS INTERVIEW BY BULGARIAN PRESS AND TV.

4. ZHIVKOV HAD PLANNED TO HOST A DINNER FOR THE FOREIGN MINISTERS ON APRIL 25, BUT WAS UNABLE TO DO SO BECAUSE OF A SEVERE COLD; HENCE THE PRIME MINISTER, STANKO TODOROV, SUBSTITUTED.

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